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General Comment

- 1. The TMDL model does not represent the actual field conditions and until the real field conditions concerning land uses and applied treatments as to BMPs is accounted for there should not be mandatory inplementation passes down from the Fed level.
- 2. Va farmers and agriculture have been willing partners in accomplishing a significant reduction in the past 10 yrs. Considering the economic impact that would be placed on the ag producers in many instances it may be detrimental possibly resulting in the loss of farms. While everyone speaks about all the cost share dollars that will be available with the state of the national economy and debt, there needs to be some consideration that such dollars may not be forthcoming and look to a voluntary approach.
- 3. States should not be forced to take drastic measures to aviod being subject to the "backstops" but be allowed to develop programs that suit the state. a